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SUMMARY: PERON HAS ACCEPTED LABOR LEADERS' ARGUMENTS THAT CREATION OF ARGENTINE-LED, ALL-LATIN INTERAMERICAN LABOR CONFEDERATION IS UNREALISTIC. CGT NOW HAS PERON'S AUTHORIZATION TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF AFFILIATION WITH ICFTU AND MORE ACTIVIST ROLE IN ILO. END SUMMARY.

1. LABOR SOURCES INFORMED LABATT THAT CGT LEADERSHIP WAS RECENTLY ABLE TO CONVINCE PERON THAT HIS PLANS FOR ARGENTINE-LED INTERAMERICAN LABOR CENTRAL (CIT) WERE UNREALISTIC (REFTEL). ACCORDINGLY, IN RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH CGT SECGEN ROMERO AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT CHIEF BALDASSINI, PERON AGREED THAT NO EFFORTS WOULD BE UNDERTAKEN TO CREATE CIT. PERON GAVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR CGT MEMBER UNIONS TO CONTINUE, AND EXPAND WHEREVER POSSIBLE, THEIR ACTIVIST ROLES IN THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE SECRETARIATS (ITS) HE REPORTEDLY ALSO TOLD THE CGT TO CONSIDER AFFILIATION

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WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS

(ICFTU). THE CGT WAS INSTRUCTED TO CONDITION ITS AFFILIATION ON ARGENTINE MEMBERSHIP ON THE ICFTU BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ON ICFTU SPONSORSHIP OF THE CGT FOR A SEAT ON THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION (ILO) DORECTIVE COUNCIL. ACCORDING TO THE LAOBR SOURVES, A CGT AFFILIATION WITH THE ICFTU WOULD NOT MEAN THAT THE CGT WOULD BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ORIT, WHICH IS STILL CONSIDERED ANATHEMA TO THE MAJORITY OF ARGENTINE LABOR.

2. THE NAMING OF ARGENTINE LABOR ATTACHES HAS BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE OF INTENSE COMPETITION FOR THE SLOTS. PRESENT PLANS ARE TO SEND ATTACHES ONLY TO OTHER LATIN COUNTRIES IN THE NEAR FUTURE. DESIGNATION OF ATTACHES TO NON-LATIN COUNTRIES WILL PROBABLY BE DELAYED UNTIL AFGER LONG TERM TRAINING OF CANDIDATES. THE CGT WILL INAUGURATE ITS NEW TRADE-UNION EDUCATION SCHOOOL ON MARC 18; HOWEVER, THE CURRICULUM HAS NOT YET BEEN DECIDED ON.

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